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WELDING INSPECTION REPORT

Resident Engineer: Pursell, Gary **Report No:** WIR-002491 Address: 333 Burma Road **Date Inspected:** 20-May-2008

City: Oakland, CA 94607

OSM Arrival Time: 630 **Project Name:** SAS Superstructure **OSM Departure Time:** 1530 **Prime Contractor:** American Bridge/Fluor Enterprises, a JV

Zhenhua Port Machinery Company, Ltd (ZPMC), Changxing Island Contractor: **Location:** Changxing Island

CWI Name: See below **CWI Present:** Yes No **Inspected CWI report:** Yes N/A **Rod Oven in Use:** Yes No No N/A N/A **Electrode to specification:** Yes No Weld Procedures Followed: Yes No N/A N/A **Qualified Welders:** Yes No **Verified Joint Fit-up:** Yes No N/A N/A Yes No N/A **Approved Drawings:** Yes No **Approved WPS: Delayed / Cancelled:** Yes No N/A

34-0006 **Bridge No: Component:** Skin plates

Summary of Items Observed:

The name of ABF Certified Welding Inspector (CWI) are Mr. Wang Cheng Jun, Mr. Yang Yi Heng, Mr. Kong Xian Hui and Mr. Dai Zing Wen.

"Push down" Heat straightening on skin plate (Tower bay#1 and bay #2) Caltrans Quality Assurance Inspector (QAI) observed few Zhenhua Port Machinery Co (ZPMC) heat straightening operators performed heat straightening with ZPMC Heat Straightening Report (HSR) on plate numbered P56, P148 and P150. The heating temperature is maximum 650 C (1200 F) and cool in still air. All the plates have been monitored and recorded and inspected by ZPMC QC required within from 0.5mm to 1mm off set (Caltrans requirement Max 3mm) after heat straightening to cooled to ambient temperature. Based on Caltrans QAI observation, no discrepancies were noted.

Magnetic particle testing (MT) on splice welds (Tower bay#1 and bay #2): A ZPMC MT technicians performed QC 25% MT testing on three splice weld of skin plates. The test splice weld numbered # SSD1-SA17A/G-16B The grease, rust, scale and other moisture have been removed by ZPMC workers on both side 200mm of splice weld areas prior MT testing. The power source of MT testing is used electromagnetic yoke with Alternating Current (AC) made by Magnaflux. The detection media is used dry red ferromagnetic particles. The technique uses dry particles that are applied while the magnetizing force is on. A field indicator used to check the magnetic filed direction and to ensure adequate field strength during MT testing. The 25% MT testing of three splice weld areas appeared to be in compliance with the requirements of AWS D1.5 (2002) and Caltrans contract documents. Ultrasonic Testing (UT) on repair butt joint weld of skin plate (Tower bay#1): Caltrans QA observed Zhenhua Port Machinery Co (ZPMC) two NDT level II technicians performed angle beam UT on two splice welds of skin plate. The weld numbered # SSD1-SA178A/d-12B and SSD1-SA178A/D-11B. The metrical of skin plate is ASTM 709

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345 wall thickness from 45mm and the test surface has been cleaned. First processes, an 250mm range reflection has calibrated on "A scan" digital display instrument Parametric model Epoch XT was used, a straight beam search unit, is a 25mm diameter x 2.5 MHz single transducer applied a source of compression waves, and penetrated into both side head affected zone of splice weld for laminar discontinuities scanning. Second processes, an angle beam search unit, is an angle wedge 70 degrees applied a source of shear waves, and passes through base weld for the detection of discontinuities. The distance and sensitivity of straight beam and angle beam are calibrated with the International Institute of welding (IIW) ultrasonic reference block. The SWUT test operated and recorded by ZPMC technicians appeared to be in general compliance with requirements of AWS Structural Welding Code D1.5 2002.

Submerged Arc Welding (SAW) process on skin plate (Tower bay#1 and bay#2): Caltrans QAI observed four ZPMC welding operators performed semi-automatic SAW on the splice weld of ASTM 709 345 skin plate numbered P598 to P1561 with 90mm wall thickness, weld# ESD1-SA77A/E-36B, skin plate numbered P602 to P1561 with 60mm wall thickness, weld# ESD1-SA77A/E-34B, skin plate numbered P1401 to P1405 with 45mm wall thickness, weld# ESD1-SA294A/G-4A, skin plate numbered P594 to P751 with 90mm wall thickness, weld# ESD1-SA77A/E-37B, skin plate numbered P601 to P751 with 90mm wall thickness, weld# ESD1-SA77A/E-35B, skin plate numbered SA653 to P186 with 70mm wall thickness, weld# WSD1-SA653A/F-1A, skin plate numbered P186 to P13 with 70mm wall thickness, weld# WSD1-SA653A/F-2A, and skin plate numbered P853 to P838 with 45mm wall thickness, weld# ESD1-SA80A/E-43A. The weld designed is a double -V-groove with welding conducted in the in flat position (1G) with proper 4.8mm diameter wire feed electrode JW3 and flux/J1-B, made by China Company and completed with approximate five pass. The parameters used for SAW welding of splice weld was conducted in accordance with Caltrans approved WPS-B-T-2221-B-U3. The semi-automatic SAW was monitored and recorded by ABF Certified Welding Inspector (CWI) Mr. Wang Cheng Jun, Mr. Yang Yi Heng, Mr. Kong Xian Hui and Mr. Dai Zing Wen. Based on Caltrans QAI observations, no discrepancies were noted.

Summary of Conversations:

As Note within the report above.

Comments

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